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HOME ITEMS.

HERALD AGENT CARVER - G. A. DUTOIT.

Time Table of M V R R.

The following indicates the time for the arrival of trains at various stations.

Up Trains: 10:45 A. M., 2:10 P. M., 5:30 P. M.

Down Trains: 10:45 A. M., 2:10 P. M., 5:30 P. M.

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THE MORAVIAN ACADEMY.

From a Card published in another column, it will be seen that a vital change is about to be made in this institution; and if the proposed plan should fail, we are informed that it will be closed altogether. Shall it come to this? Shall the children and youth of the community be deprived of the privileges and blessings which so many of them have been enjoying for the past four years, and our town lose a distinction, in our state as possessed of a school? Shall the Moravian school be closed up and its building left to rot? We leave it to our readers to imagine.

The immediate cause of the present reduced condition of the school, which renders the change in question necessary, has been, as is well known, the inability of the Trustees and Principals to find suitable teachers. Such as the Academy needs, and has had, are rare; and such service, also, a large compensation for their faithful labor. The trustees have been blamed and the Moravian Church also for suffering the school to decline, by not at once furnishing proper teachers; but let us ask, is not greater blame attributable to another party?

To not speak of the impossibility of furnishing teachers when there are none willing to serve in such a capacity and in so distant a region as ours is from the east, we would call attention to the facts, or rather to the figures, following.

The average number of pupils of the Academy, the year round, was about 51, and the tuition fee paid, or the average, \$4 per quarter. That makes an income of, say \$200 per annum. Out of this two teachers had to be salaried, and expenses for fuel &c. met, and any one can see that, at this rate, the institution could not but be a losing concern. And is it right, or reasonable that a community as prosperous as ours has been, should expect a religious society or church, benevolently to educate its children for less than the education costs? The attempt to raise the terms was formerly made, but, on account of the poverty of our country, it failed, and matters have now come to the pass, that henceforth, Chaska and her citizens must either render a better equivalent for the advantages their children would enjoy in the Academy, or forego these, perhaps finally and forever!

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THE NATION.

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Upon the reassembling of Congress, I again become my duty to call your attention to the State of the Union, and its disorgan-

The condition of the financial demands of the Government has been the concern of Congress. Compared with the growth of our population, the increase in the expenditures of the Government has been almost unprecedented in our history. The population of the United States in 1790 was about four million; in 1880, it was about thirty-two million; in 1900, it was about sixty-two million. The increase of seven hundred per cent. in the population in 170 years. In 1880 it was estimated that the Government was expending an increase of eight hundred and sixty-eight per cent. over the expenditures of 1790. The expenditures of the Federal Government in 1790 were about \$1,000,000; in 1880, eighteen million five hundred thousand dollars; in 1890, thirty-four million dollars; in 1900, fifty-one million dollars. The last annual report, that that of 1901, shows that the expenditures of the Government for 1901 were \$67,000,000. In 1790, it will be seen that the increase in the expenditures of the Government since the beginning of the government has been about 6,700 per cent. In 1790, the expenditures of the Government were about eight hundred and sixty-eight per cent. of the population. In 1901, the expenditures of the Government were only eight hundred and sixty-eight per cent. of the population. In 1790, the expenditures of the Government were only eight hundred and sixty-eight per cent. of the population. In 1901, the expenditures of the Government were only eight hundred and sixty-eight per cent. of the population.

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